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1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114

a. ☒ Previously submitted (If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.)i. ☒ Enter the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on November 22, 2006.ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____iii. ☐ Other _____b. ☒ Enclosedi. ☒ Amendment/Replyii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)iv. ☐ Other _____

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a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(f) required.)b. ☐ Other _____

3. FEES (the RCE fee under 37 CFR § 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR § 1.114 when the RCE is filed)

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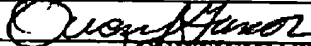
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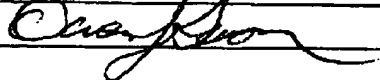
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